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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :  
J. C. Zhao et al : Group Art Unit: 1775  
Application No. <sup>09</sup>06/681,821 : Examiner: J. McNeil  
Filed: June 11, 2001 : Response to Paper No. 4  
For Diffusion Barrier Coatings, and  
Related Articles and Processes

AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2002, please enter the following amendment to the application, and consider the accompanying remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 41-47, without prejudice.

Please amend the claims, as follows:

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(amended) A barrier coating material, comprising: